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In re Application of :
Presnell, et al. :
Application No.09/912,157 : DECISION GRANTING PETITION
Filed: July 24, 2001 :
Attorney Docket No. 00-49 :

This is a decision on the petition filed May 28, 2002, under 37 CFR 1.10(c) requesting that the above-cited application be accorded a filing date of July 24, 2001, rather than the presently accorded filing date of July 23, 2001.

Petitioner alleges that the application was deposited with the Express Mail Service on July 24, 2001. In support of the allegation, the petition is accompanied by a copy of the "Pickup Service Statement for Express Mail, Priority Mail, or Parcel Post" showing the package sent by Express Mail label No. EL623622906US (the same Express Mail label number was placed on the original application papers located in the official file) was received by the postal employee on July 24, 2001.

In view of the above, the petition is granted. A corrected filing receipt is enclosed showing the filing date for the application as July 24, 2001.

The application file is being returned to Technology Center 1600 with a filing date of July 24, 2001.

Any inquiries related to this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (703)305-0010.

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Enclosure: Corrected Filing Receipt